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Rabbits (podcast)

Rabbits is a pseudo-documentary podcast from producer and writer Terry Miles. In the show, narrator Carly Parker searches for her missing friend Yumiko "Miko" Takata and finds herself in the midst of a decades-old alternate reality game known as Rabbits or simply "The Game." A main feature of *Rabbits* is the use of pop culture references, especially to classic video games like *Defender* and *Space Ace*.

A second season was announced and its funding was attempted on Kickstarter, but it did not reach its goal.[1] It was released on Stitcher Premium on 2021. In the second season new narrator Riley Bennet investigates the world of "The Game."

A three episode spin-off mini-series *The Path* was available on Apple in 2021.

A novel set in the *Rabbits* universe and written by Miles was released on June 8, 2021.[2] A sequel, *The Quiet Room* is due to be published in October 2023. [3]

Rabbits	
Production	
No. of seasons	2
No. of episodes	20
Publication	
Original release	2017
Related	
Related shows	Tanis, The Black Tapes, Faerie,
Website	www.rabbitspodcast.com (https://www.rabbitspodcast.com/)

Episodes

Season 1

Episode	Title[4]	Release date[4]	Production code[4]
1	"Game On"	February 28, 2017	101
2	"Concernicus Jones"	March 14, 2017	102
3	"Marigold and Persephone"	March 28, 2017	103
4	"Doglover in Hell"	April 11, 2017	104
5	"Priesthood One"	April 25, 2017	105
6	"Strange Attractors"	May 9, 2017	106
7	"Arcadia"	May 23, 2017	107
8	"Elysian Drift"	June 5, 2017	108
9	"Hazel"	June 20, 2017	109
10	"The Future We Deserve"	July 4, 2017	110

Season 2

(Available on Stitcher)

Episode	Title[5]	Release date[5]	Production code[5]
1	"The Wrong Song"	July 13, 2021	201
2	"Play the Game, Find the Game"	July 13, 2021	202
3	"Path Cards"	July 20, 2021	203
4	"The Call of the Void"	July 27, 2021	204
5	"Like Arteries in Search of a Heart"	August 3, 2021	205
6	"The Pompitous of Love"	August 10, 2021	206
7	"Lucy and the Cardinal"	August 17, 2021	207
8	"The Mysterious Traveler"	August 24, 2021	208
9	"Atom Love Bomb"	August 31, 2021	209
10	"The Visitor Brings The Game"	September 7, 2021	210

The Path

(Available on Apple)

Episode	Title[6]	Release date[6]
1	"Dear Prudence"	May 25, 2021
2	"It's Not Fair"	June 1, 2021
3	"Picture in Picture"	June 8, 2021

Reception

Time listed *Rabbits* as one of "The 50 Best Podcasts Right Now," saying it is perfect for "people nostalgic for that moment when we couldn't tell if *The Blair Witch Project* was real or not."[7] *USA Today* chose *Rabbits* as their "Podcast Pick" of the week because part of its fun is that "it feels like it *almost could* be true."[8] *Vox* chose *Rabbits* for a list of "podcasts to get you in the Halloween spirit" because of its "well-acted blend of urban legends, weird fiction, and your average creepypasta."[9] Neil Patrick Harris called *Rabbits* "addictive."[10]

Wil Williams criticized *Rabbits* for its writing, acting, and production, along with the other Pacific Northwest Stories podcasts Tanis and The Black Tapes, as well as its pacing and advertising ("How am I, the listener, supposed to feel suspense or concern in an intense plot moment when the host stops her narration to talk about Nature Box?").[11] Lucia Peters criticized the first episode's writing for relying too heavily on exposition.[12]

Novel

In 2021, a *Rabbits* novel written by Terry Miles was released. The novel tells a new story set in the same world as the podcast.[13]

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